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The Philippine Consulate General Entertains Last Minute Registrants for the May 2019 Philippine National Elections



Left: The first applicant for the Overseas Absentee Voters Registration arrives in the morning of 29 September 2018, Saturday. *Right:* A student, who traveled all the way from Massachusetts registers in the afternoon of 30 September 2018. (Photos by NYPCG)

03 October 2018, New York – The Philippine Consulate General in New York (PCGNY) opened its doors during the last weekend of September to entertain last-minute applicants for the Overseas Absentee Voters registration in preparation for the May 2019 senatorial and party-list elections.

Under Republic Act No. 9189, otherwise known as "The Overseas Absentee Voting Act of 2003", all citizens of the Philippines abroad, not otherwise disqualified by law, at least eighteen (18) years of age on the day of the election, and who are registered overseas absentee voters with approved application to vote in absentia, may vote.

At the end of the registration period, almost 21,000 Filipinos registered at PCGNY.

Registrants are encouraged to regularly check PCGNY's website, www.newyorkpcg.org, for the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) certified list of registered voters.

COMELEC will be issuing guidelines for the May 2019 national elections soon. **END**